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IN THE CLAIMS

Please replace claims 23 and 24 with the following amended claims 23 and

24:

23. (twice amended) A method of providing demand television comprising the steps of:
~~encoding, in real-time, a broadcast video frame sequence to form a broadcast bitstream, while at the same time encoding the broadcast video frame sequence to form a storage bitstream;~~

transmitting said broadcast bitstream to a plurality of subscriber equipment for decoding;

storing said broadcast bitstream as a storage bitstream while said broadcast bitstream is being transmitted;

upon said subscriber equipment requesting said storage bitstream to enable review of information contained in said broadcast bitstream, transmitting said storage bitstream to said subscriber having requested the storage bitstream;

wherein said storage bitstream comprises at least a play bitstream and a fast forward bitstream, and upon said fast forward bitstream being exhausted of data, automatically switching from said storage bitstream to said broadcast bitstream.

24. (twice amended) A method of providing demand television comprising the steps of:
transmitting said broadcast bitstream to a plurality of subscriber equipment for decoding;

storing said broadcast bitstream as a storage bitstream while said broadcast bitstream is being transmitted;

upon said subscriber equipment requesting said storage bitstream to enable review of information contained in said broadcast bitstream, transmitting said storage bitstream to said subscriber having requested the storage bitstream; and

upon said subscriber equipment requesting said broadcast bitstream, switching from said storage bitstream to said broadcast bitstream.

REMARKS

In the Office Action, the Examiner noted that claims 1-19 and 23-27 are pending in the application, that claims 1-18 are allowed, and claims 19 and 23-27 stand rejected. By this response, claims 23 and 24 are amended and claims 1-19 and 25-27 continue unamended.